

Night Rains

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I have seen the starlight fading
into echoes on the floor
and I dreamed the stars parading
like tin soldiers on the shore
The city casts no shadow now
At midnight, all the whores
come out and dance with darkness
and the night rains pour
Moonbeams gather dust
The cobwebs rust into the ground
Windows stare at the open air
and the sparrows dare to drown
Death becomes a debutante
Stranded in her gown
Branded like a leper
and the night rains down
By morning all the debutantes
and the virgins have their fill
It's a signal to the vagabonds
who come in for the kill
Me, I must be lucky now,
for the sky is with me still
It's written on the wind
that the night rains chill
I dreamed the sun was falling
Into darkness, and i ran
into the night was endless,
slipping through my famished hand
And the sky was like a furnace
I could not see to stand
Committed to its emptiness,
the night rains sand
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